

CERTIFICATE IN TEACHING ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES (TESOL)

Department of English

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Certificate Description

This four-course sequence (12 semester hours) is valuable for anyone who wishes to gain more knowledge of second/foreign language learning. It is also useful as a springboard to further graduate work in the field. It is designed to meet the needs of:

- K–12 language arts instructors who want more information but not necessarily state endorsement;
- writing instructors at two-year colleges; and
- students who would like to enter doctorate programs in applied linguistics, English as a second language, or second language acquisition.

Students gain an understanding of issues of language acquisition and language pedagogy.

Admission Requirements

To be eligible for the graduate certificate in the teaching of English to speakers of other languages, students need not have an undergraduate degree in English or linguistics but must have a B.A. or B.S. and meet requirements for admission to the College of Graduate Studies at YSU.

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Students who have not taken an introductory linguistics course at the undergraduate level will be expected to do extra reading to get an understanding of basic terms. The department's advanced linguistics course (ENGL 6955 Advanced Linguistics) may also serve to provide background. Students should see an advisor for the TESOL certificate program.

Students must complete the following four courses:

COURSE	TITLE	S.H.
ENGL 6950	Sociolinguistics	3
ENGL 6951	Language Acquisition	3
ENGL 6956	TESOL Methods	3
ENGL 6958	English Grammar	3
Total Semester Hours		12